

**CRIME VICTIMS WITH DISABILITIES INITIATIVE GRANT DESCRIPTION**  
**June 2001**

| <b>Private, Non-profit and Government Agencies</b>           | <b>Grant Award</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
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| Center for Independent Living,<br>Fresno County              | \$50,563.00        | The CIL-Fresno Crime Victims with Disabilities Specialist Team will develop specific strategies for empowering people with disabilities and the community through collaboration and partnerships and extensive outreach to increase reporting of crime. They will also assist law enforcement, prosecutors, and the courts on individual cases.  |
| The USC University Affiliated Program,<br>Los Angeles County | \$69, 428.00       | The Crime Victims Community Watch Project will provide direct assistance to the departments of the criminal justice system to better implement laws, strengthen existing laws, and more efficiently handle cases involving victims with disabilities. Outreach awareness training will be conducted, and materials will be developed for criminal justice personnel, people with disabilities, service providers, and the community. An accessible reporting system will be developed. Connections will be developed to share information and assistance between the disability community and the criminal justice system and to instill an attitude of “zero tolerance” for crime against people with disabilities. |
| Community Access Center,<br>Riverside County                 | \$51,105.00        | The Crime, Outreach, and Prosecution Strategies (COPS) program is designed to increase reporting, investigation and prosecution of crimes through education, dialogue, and association with people with disabilities. Training and materials will be developed to educate law enforcement, prosecutors, courts, and people with disabilities in how to ensure equal justice for crime victims with disability. A peer partnership program (PPP) will be used to assist victims, police officers, prosecutors, and judges in reporting and prosecuting of the crime.  |

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| Easter Seals Superior California, Sacramento County | \$ 57,632.00 | Easter Seals Personal Safety and Support Partnerships (PSSP) program will provide direct and confidential assistance to crime victims with disabilities and their family members from diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds to assist them in reporting crimes through a Crime Victim Specialist. The specialist will be on call 24 hours a day and will also work directly with law enforcement, prosecutors, and the courts to pursue cases. Easter Seals PSSP program will provide assistance and training to criminal justice agency staff, adult and child protective agency interdisciplinary teams, ombudsman, and service providers. |
| Siskiyou County District Attorney, Siskiyou County  | \$52,000.00  | The goal of the Crime Victims with Disabilities Advocacy and Outreach Program is to improve the reporting, investigation, and prosecution of crimes against people with disabilities. The program will develop training materials, participate in an Interdisciplinary Team, and participate in county-wide outreach activities to educate service providers and community members in improving reporting of the crimes. The Specialist will be on call 24 hours a day to make contact with the victim of a crime as early as possible and to assist law enforcement, prosecutors, and the courts in handling these crimes.                    |
| Ventura County District Attorney, Ventura County    | \$55,273.00  | This program will have a strong training component aimed at educating people with disabilities, their families, advocates, and service providers about preventing and reporting crimes against people with disabilities. The Specialist will work directly with law enforcement, prosecutors, and the courts to more effectively pursue cases involving victims with disabilities. The Specialist will serve as an advocate and central point of contact for the victims.  |